

Brainstorms

By FERRIN COX

Last week we commented in this space about the projected budget deficit of the federal government and this still concerns us. Lamar Rainer brought to our attention some more frightening facts this week. It took the United States 200 years from the Revolution or until 1975 to amass a national debt of 500 billion dollars. Seven years in 1981 this had doubled and is now 500 billion dollars. At the present rate we will add ANOTHER 500 billion in less than three years! Our national debt is already 1.25 trillion dollars. I can't even understand this, but we have passed that, passed billions and billions and already passed the trillion. While we can't relate to such terms, we do understand the fact that we are getting deeper and deeper in debt faster and faster. It is not hard to realize this continued debt increase to return of runaway inflation and troubles for Americans.

If you are job hunting, a story in the daily newspapers, referred to us by the Elba Clipper, is a good one to read that may be rather short-lived. Wing Walkers are wanted for stunts at air shows. Now if you are interested in stepping out of an open cockpit aircraft on the wing, letting the propwash hit you at over 100 miles an hour while you are balanced several hundred feet in the air on the bobbing wing of an airplane - your unemployment woes are over. Me - I will just sit around and complain, rather than commit myself to certain death.

George Wallace Jr. has decided to challenge Mayor Eddie Forster for the office of Mayor of Elba. Eddie is not at all sure that he had put out some feather, but said last week he wanted to spend time raising a family first. We expect that in time George Jr. will be overcome by the fever and will jump into the political arena as a candidate.

Before we forget the airplanes completely we must comment on the airliner that went down last week because all the oil leaked from the three engines. It is a safety measure that they install magnetic plugs in those things to detect any grinding of metal that could cause engine failure. This is a good idea, but it is not a good idea to have a magnetic plug cause the engine failure - the safety device installed to prevent failure. The three little "O" rings that got left off could be bought for a nickel apiece in a hardware store, but probably cost a quarter from aircraft supply sources; yet their absence probably caused three engines to burn up.

If you want to see a good fight, just watch Geneva County for the next six or eight weeks. It appears there will be a wet-dry battle as those wanting a vote on the sale of beer and whiskey in the county have submitted a petition with enough names to require a referendum. The petitioners say that the majority of the signatures are legit voters, the battle is on and voters will be let. We don't want to put our dogs in that hunt, but have long contended that it is not a question of drinking or not drinking or even selling or not selling, but a question of legally selling or not selling. The drinking part was settled years ago by the legislature when they made it legal to process a certain amount of beer and whiskey in dry counties.

We were pleased to read where the federal courts have decided that the schools can legally deny a student graduation ring if he/she doesn't pass certain minimum tests. A number of parents had filed the lawsuit because they contended it discriminated against them. This would have completely nullified any value the diploma might have had for those who earned them.

Toll free calling from Elba to New Brighton and Enterprise will become a reality by November of next year (1984) according to information from General Telephone and the Alabama Public Service Commission. There were some problems with getting the okay on the project until last week when the PSC issued the required letter to General and got the project off the calendar. There will be an additional cost on this project, as it was part of the agreement during the last general rate increase in 1982.

The military experts in Sweden are getting a lot of submarine training because as they claim the first of unknown mystery subs around their territorial waters. There may or may not be that many of the subs in their waters, as radar can give some false readings, especially in such deep cold water as surrounds Sweden. Experts would like for us to believe it is perfect, but we only have to watch weather radar to see that things such as "temperature inversion" will give the same results as a rain shower.

Looking over the Elba Clipper last week we began reminiscing over the growth of the local banks. When we came to Elba in 1961 Elba had two banks, one local and one national bank and had slightly over \$4 million in assets. Elba's weekly report showed they have passed \$40 million! The Peoples Bank didn't get started until later and their first published report was in 1974 and they had less than a million in assets, but now have over \$17 million! We don't know who owns all this money, but will hang in there hoping some of it will rub off on us... and we mean a little more than enough to keep us even with inflation.

There has been a considerable bit of verbiage lately over the power of labor and AEA's role in the legislative session. The predominantly black organization headed by Joe Reed. Now we don't like to see this domination any more than the domination of big business. That statement is like saying "some of my friends are for me and some are against it, and I am with my friends." and we are not normal, feel good. We have long contended that Paul Hubbard would hurt education's rating with the public; but his group still gets their wants. It is amazing to watch him at work, but realistically we must understand that the real work was done at the grassroots by those teachers and legislative home districts. We dream of the day when the majority of elected officials can strike a balance between all sides and apply fair BUSINESS principles to their work.



POLICE DOCKET

The Elba Police Dept. reported 1600 calls for service with a total of 15 arrests made for no drivers license made for person (3), littering, an improper load, failure to stop at stop sign, theft-theft degree, highway driving, inattentive, carrying a concealed weapon, speeding, no drivers license, failure to appear, passing in prohibited zone, no tag, illegal towing, and negotiating worthless checks.

Following are brief daily highlights of police activity:

Tuesday, May 3

Activity included a wreck on 84 (6:42 a.m.), a fire at the First Garden Center (8:59 a.m.), a Rescue Squad to Dothan (2:55 p.m.), a house fire on Wayne Street (6:03 p.m.) and a theft at a home on Adams Street (11:15 p.m.).

Wednesday, May 4

Activity included a drunk in public on Flats Road (3:48 p.m.).

TSD Offers Computer Workshops

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Thursday, May 5

Activity included a wreck at the Kitchens parking lot (11:37 a.m.), a wreck on 84 (10:15 a.m.), a disturbance at a home on Williams Street (10:46 a.m.), a Rescue Squad transfer to Dothan (11:24 a.m.), a disturbance on Jackson St. (9:30 a.m.) and a request for the Rescue Squad at Mullins Apt. (11:53 a.m.).

Friday, May 6

Activity included a wreck at the Kitchens parking lot (11:37 a.m.), a wreck on 84 (10:15 a.m.), a disturbance at a home on Williams Street (10:46 a.m.), a Rescue Squad transfer to Dothan (11:24 a.m.), a disturbance on Jackson St. (9:30 a.m.) and a request for the Rescue Squad at Mullins Apt. (11:53 a.m.).

Monday, May 9

Activity included a drunk in public on Flats Road (3:48 p.m.).

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with a gun on Buford Street (11:03 a.m.) a wreck on 87 North (11:15 a.m.), a burglary at a home on West Street (3:04 p.m.), a disturbance on Davis Street (4:07 p.m.) and numerous traffic citations.

Sunday, May 8

Activity included a fire at the Kroger's parking lot (11:57 a.m.), a wreck on 84 (10:15 a.m.), a disturbance at a home on Williams Street (10:46 a.m.), a Rescue Squad transfer to Dothan (11:24 a.m.), a disturbance on Jackson St. (9:30 a.m.) and a request for the Rescue Squad at Mullins Apt. (11:53 a.m.).

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Wednesday, May 10

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Thursday, May 11

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Deaths

CLEMIE W. LEE

Mr. Clemie W. Lee, age 59, of Kinston, died May 9, 1983, at his residence. Funeral services were held May 10, 1983, at 3:00 p.m. at Rainer's Funeral Home in Elba, with Rev. Robert E. Bowen officiating. Burial was in Rhoades Cemetery, with the Rev. Dr. Pat Rains officiating.

Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home of Elba directing.

Survivors include: three daughters - Judy Rhodes, Elba; one son: Joe Lee, Opp; three grandchildren.

MRS. JOSE CHANDLER DANLEY

Mrs. Josie Chandler Danley, age 84, a resident of Plant City, Fla., formerly of Covington County, died Tuesday, May 10, 1983.

Services were held at Plant City on Thursday.

Survivors include: three daughters - Pansy Smith, Nini Allen both of Elba, Hwy. Wehry, Atlanta, Ga.; four sons - General E. Dewberry, Elba; James R. Dewberry, Federal, Fla.; Steve Dewberry, Brookside, Tommy Dewberry, Elba; and three grandchildren.

FINLEY GUY BOOTH

Funeral services for Finley Guy Booth, age 56, of Route 2, Elba, who died Saturday, May 6, 1983, at 11:00 a.m. in Prattville were held at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, May 11, 1983, from the chapel of Hayes Funeral Home with the Rev. William Burns officiating. Burial was in Level Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include: two daughters - Linda Chappell, Norcross, Ga.; Timmy Boothe, Atlanta; three sons - Timmy Boothe, Covington, Ga., Gary and Roger Boothe, both of Elba; two brothers - Malcolm Boothe, Elba, A.W. Boothe, Montgomery.

High school level

workshops, beginning June 13 and July 25, will have students becoming farmers and will start selling and will learn programming fundamentals working with material drafted by the instructor.

Mobile school workshops beginning June 27 and August 8 will enable students to write their own programs and "develop a deeper understanding of program complexities."

The elementary workshops, beginning June 13 and July 25, will have students becoming farmers and will start selling and will learn programming fundamentals working with material drafted by the instructor.

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Dear Mr. Mularz,

Allow me to thank you for your newspaper to the many people in Elba who have shown their support and interest in our senior citizens.

I am wonderful to know that there are still people who care about the Older Americans of this community and that past week that show of support really is there.

The Senior Citizens' Center has received many flowers, donations and new members as a result of our Open House and numerous radio and television shows and newspaper articles.

Once again, thank to all of our supporters. The center has been given the boost it needs to really become a worthwhile place for Elba's senior citizens.

Sincerely yours,

FRANCES BRADSHAW

Band Booster President

Letters To The Editor

LETTER TO EDITOR

Dear Sir:

The Elba High School Band Boosters are overwhelmed with the success of Band Day 1983 and we want to thank you for your special effort to thank you for your support.

Without the support of people like you, we would not have had a successful program. Your help has gone unnoticed and is greatly appreciated.

/s/ FRANCES BRADSHAW

Band Booster President

BULLETIN BOARD

S. Rep. City Hall-1st & 3rd Tuesday. Or Call Toll Free 470-6200

ROTARY CLUB-Mondays, noon-Holley's Restaurant

EASTERN STAR-2nd and 4th Thursdays, 7 p.m.

ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN.-Thursdays, 8:30 a.m.-Holley's Restaurant

ELBA JAYCEES-1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.-

ELBA JAYCOS-2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 p.m.-WEB

ELBA COUNCIL-1st & 3rd Mondays, 8 p.m.-WEB

ELBA LIONS CLUB-2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m.-Holley's Restaurant

ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD-1st Thursday, 5 p.m.-Superintendent's Office

BPV-1st Monday, 7 p.m.-Holley's Restaurant

AMERICAN LEGION-1st Thursday, 7:30 p.m.-Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.

BOY SCOUTS-Mondays 7 p.m.-City Pool

RESCUE SQUAD-2nd & 4th Tues. night - 7:00 p.m.-Library

WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD--2nd Tuesday, 5 p.m.-City Hall

ELBA MASONIC LODGE #170 - 1st Sat. night - 3rd Monday night - 7 p.m.

WOW LODGE 458 - 1st Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.-Masonic Hall, Elba

PILGRIM CLUB-2nd & 4th Tuesday, 7 p.m.-Elba Exchange Bank

AA-Wed., 8:30 p.m., and Sun., 3:45 p.m., City Hall

897-2365 or 897-5192

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**PASTOR'S CORNER**Rev. Ben Amlong
Pastor, Zion Chapel Baptist
Church**Small Is Beautiful**

A mother of four little ones finds great joy in one event and returned wearily to the den to see an encyclopedia open on the floor with a page torn out. As she got the Scotch tape out, you sometimes say to yourself, "My job isn't important because it's such a small task." But you are wrong. The most obscure person you can be very important. Let me show you what I mean.

As I was wasting my existence in a pointless drudgery," she wondered, At the moment it seemed so.

She pieced the torn fragments together and saw the picture of a child's face. When she had taped them back together, she turned the page over, and there was a map of the world. As she was looking together at the picture of a little child, she realized she was affecting the condition of the world.

"He who hath despised the day of small things?" (Zecharias 4:10).

Zechariah, the prophet of God, is saying, "Small is Beautiful." The virtue of smallness has a special ring in our "supermarket" society. But many are seriously examining a "thine small" point. Companies are rethinking the small-scale unit. Overdeveloped nations are beginning underdevelopment programs. Bigger is not necessarily better.

One evening in June, 1945, 100,000 people gathered in the Los Angeles Coliseum. They had come together to honor the men from their city who had died in World War II. A stark battle demonstrated the helplessness of the

**Sgt. Jones Is Stationed
In New Mexico**

Staff Sgt. Steven W. Jones, son of Richard L. Jones, of 1142 Broadway, Vincennes, has arrived for duty at Holloman Air Force Base, N.M.

Jones, a helicopter repairman with the Army Air Forces Directorate, has arrived for duty in Hanau, West Germany.

He is a 1973 graduate of Lincoln High School, Vincennes.

His wife, Judy, is the

daughter of Jack and Wanda Confer of Elba, Ala.

The sergeant is the grandson of William M. Jones, also of Vincennes.

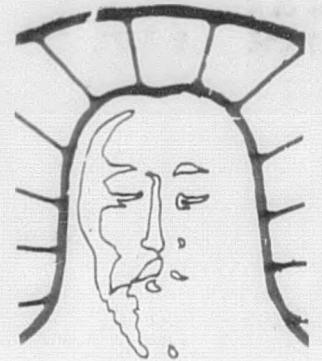
**Zoar To Have Revival,
Homecoming**

The Zoar Community Church will hold its revival

Sunday evening May 21st, at 7:00 p.m. Sister Thelma Ginn of Tallahassee will be the guest speaker.

Homecoming will be May 22, 1983. Everyone is invited to attend.

Heb. 4:15

**IN HIM WAS LIFE AND
THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT
OF MEN**THE ELBA MINISTERIAL
ASSOCIATION meets each
Thursday at 8 a.m. at
Holley's Restaurant.Listen to:
Hour of Truth
WELB-1350-AM
1:30 - 2:00 p.m. Sundays
Rev. Jonas RogersNEW BROCKTON METHO-
DIST.Sunday School...9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship...5:00 p.m.FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD
(Kinston) - Robert BowenSunday School...9:45 a.m.
Morning Service...11:00 a.m.
C.A. (Youth)...5:30 p.m.
Evangelist Serv...6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study...7:00 p.m.BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH-
Don JohnsonSunday School...10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.
Church Training...6:00 p.m.
Even. Worship...6:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet...7:00 p.m.WHITEWATER BAPTIST-
David RichburgSunday School...9:45 a.m.
Morning Service...11:00 a.m.
Church Train...4:30 p.m.
Even. Service...6:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet...7:00 p.m.
Fri. Home Prayer...7:00 p.m.WISKE MILL ASSEMBLY OF
GOD-Lamar LeCompteSunday School...10:00 a.m.
Morning Service...11:00 a.m.
Church Train...6:00 p.m.
Even. Service...6:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet...7:00 p.m.SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH
J.H. HatawaySunday School...10:00 a.m.
Morning Service...11:00 a.m.
Church Train...6:00 p.m.
Evening Service...7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet...7:00 p.m.BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST
Donald Marler

Sunday School...10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship...11:00 a.m.

Church Training...6:00 p.m.

Even. Worship...6:30 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Meet...7:00 p.m.

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY
OF GOD-W.H. McCollum

Sunday School...10:00 a.m.

Morning Service...11:00 a.m.

Evening Service...6:30 p.m.

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Sunday School...10:00 a.m.

Worship Service...11:00 a.m.

Training Union...6:00 p.m.

Evening Service...6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Serv...7:00 p.m.

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WHITMAN DRUG CO., DORSEY TRAILERS, ELBA INSURANCE
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To Have
Homecoming****DIALYSIS - A WAY OF LIFE****Facts and figures from
National Kidney Foundation
of Alabama and from kidney
failure patients**

Homecoming services will be held at Mount Zion Baptist Church (Mission roads) on May 15. The morning service will be at 11:00 with the Rev. Johnny B. Spratt of Elba bringing the message.

Lunch will be served at noon followed by singing in the afternoon. Pastor Bud Goodson invites everyone to join them in their Homecoming services.

You may be one of the three million persons in the United States who has kidney failure and do not know it. Or you may be walking around with high blood pressure and not know it. The two are closely related. Persons most likely to develop high blood pressure are overweight, have a

family history of high blood pressure, are over 40 years of age. It is a silent disease, and usually the only way you can tell if you have it is by way of a checkup. This can be done by your doctor or at one of 25 blood pressure monitoring machines in public places in Alabama. Blood pressure checks may also be FREE at county health fairs.

And still she must make an average of two trips per month to the Mobile County health office the first three Fridays of each month, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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are needed. You cannot do everything, but you can do something. Jesus said, "Look at the birds of the air: they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?" (Matthew 6:26).

"Small is Beautiful" the Lord is saying.

For those who have not yet developed kidney failure, there are ways to prevent controlling high blood pressure. (There are, of course, other causes of kidney failure.)

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Miss McCollough
To Wed Mr. Davis

Socials

Miss Scarborough & Mr. Martin

Honored With Nuptial Parties

Miss Donna Lynn McCollough will become the bride of Mr. Morgan Scott Davis Saturday, May 14, at four o'clock in the afternoon at Westside Baptist Church in Elba.

A reception will follow the ceremony.

All friends and relatives are invited.

Bake Sale To Be Held

There will be a bake sale held by the Magnolia Garden Club, May 14, on the square. They will have home-baked cakes and cookies. Also Mary Louise Collier has donated a cake. Cakes will be priced to be offered at a special price. All proceeds will go to the garden club.

New Arrival

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bedsole announce the birth of a daughter, Mallorie Leigh, born April 9, 1983 at Elba General Hospital in Enterprise.

The new daughter weighed 8 pounds and 10 ounces.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. O.C. Bedsole of the Bullock Community and Mrs. Jane Hedge of Elba.

The mother of other relatives and friends enjoyed the occasion.

Socials

Miss Scarborough & Mr. Martin

Honored With Nuptial Parties

A brunch honoring Miss Scarborough and Mr. Martin was held May 1, at 9 A.M. in the home of Paul and Nancy Morrow.

Other hostesses were Fleetwood and Mary Carney, Don and Olive Brown, Sam and Rosemary Carnley, Tom and Melanie Carnley, Robert and Stephen and Mrs. Oscar Vaughan.

The hostesses presented the Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Scarborough, Mr. and Mrs. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Boone, Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Paul Morrow, Mrs. Brock, Nancy Brock, Lauri Doster, Melissa Norman, Ann English, Lynn Hudson, Brummitt, Bret Scarborough, Ken Martin, Phillip Clark, Mason Morrow, Doug Martin and Bobby Baker.

DINNER-DANCE PARTY

Miss Melanie Scarborough and her husband, Josephine Kendrick, James and Martha Martin, Kris and Nadine Scarborough and Brett Scarborough.

Roses and Dishes were used to decorate the dining table.

Guests enjoying the

Decorated with white

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Mrs. Smith In Concert Friday Night At Elba High School

Mrs. Barbara Smith will be in concert at Elba High School tomorrow (Friday) night at eight o'clock as a special feature of the annual meeting of the Coffee County Arts Alliance.

Mrs. Smith's program on

piano will include several short works from different countries, and a feature entitled "Hopscotch Rag,"

written by Dr. Ken Chancey, an Enterprise dentist.

Socials & News Of Local Interest

An "Evening Of Dance" To Be Presented

"An Evening of Dance," the thirteenth annual performance of the Dorothy Sellers School of Dance, will be presented on Friday and Saturday evenings, June 3 and 4, at the Opp High School Auditorium. The program will begin at 8:00 p.m. and is no charge for admission.

Widely known for excellence in student programming, the Dorothy Sellers School again promises an exciting and beautiful show.

From the old world of



Mr. & Mrs. Gene Dorsey

Mr. & Mrs. Gene Dorsey Honored With Reception

To be recognized following the Finale are members of the Senior and Junior Dance Groups, Home Students, and seven graduating seniors: Kay Cowen, Rebecca Dyess, Mrs. Johnson, Susan Sorrells, Karla Spain, Stephanie Tisdale, all of Elba, and Karen Grider from Elba.

Students performing in the 1983 "Evening of Dance" are from Opp, Elba, Kinston, Red Level, Flora, Limestone, and DeFuniak Springs, Fla.

From Elba are: Stephanie Atkinson, Margaret Cox, Karen Grider and Kathy Tucker.

From Kinston: Nicole Bradley and Kelly Patterson.

Citizens Of Tomorrow

Mrs. Bonneau Kowe, Mrs. Leo Foreman, Mrs. Jim Clay, Mrs. Raymond Tatton, Mrs. Oscar Vaughan, Jr., Mrs. James Frank Perdue, Mrs. James Devane, Mrs. Bill Sorells, Mrs. Carol Vaughn, Mrs. Doug Kennedy, Mrs. Lake Luber Morrow, Mrs. Robert Cannon, Mrs. Foy Spurlin, Mrs. Wyeth Bragg, Mrs. Eric Paul, Mrs. Fred Young, Mrs. Linda Karr, Mrs. Robert Marsh, Mrs. Arlan Brown, Mrs. Jim Williams and Mrs. Jimmy Cook.

They presented the young couple with a brass chafing dish and tray.

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Pictured From Left To Right: Mrs. Taylor, Miss Corley, [Honoree] and Mrs. Corley

2nd row L to R Mrs. Kelley, Mrs. Willis and Mrs. Young

Miss Casandra Corley Honored With Bridal Shower

Mrs. Casandra Corley, bride-elect of Mr. Mark Howard Kelly, was honored with a tea and miscellaneous shower on Sunday, May 1, at the home of Mrs. Fred Young on Highland Drive.

Other members present were Mrs. M.O. Bruecker, Mrs. Lister Brunson, Mrs. Robert Marsh, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Pauline Windham, parliamentary; and Mrs. Ed Tucker, historian.

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Sports

Views From

THE PRESSBOX

By, Ricky Mularz Editor

If you're a true sports fan, you have to be in Heaven! There's baseball, football, basketball, boxing and golf on TV; while at the local parks, boys' baseball and men's softball are in full swing. Yep, you know summer has arrived.

RUSS WOOD SIGNS NFL CONTRACT

Russ' Russ Wood made it official last week when he signed a free-agent contract with the Kansas City Chiefs of the National Football League. I knew Russ had narrowed his choices to three teams, but was asked not to make it public until he signed a deal. He now has a deal with the Chiefs. In the early spring, he didn't know what the new league was what he was doing and walked out of camp. He had been running for several NFL scouts and wanted to play in the 'big leagues' or else hang up his cleats. By signing with the Chiefs, Russ will get a good, long look from the pro coaches and the owners and for all it was worth, if he can make it, he'll make it. I don't know if he'll make it, but I know he'll give it 100 percent all the way.

Good luck!

BABE RUTH STARTS OFF WITH A BANG

The Babe Ruth baseball season opened last week and fans were greeted with two outstanding games. All the pitchers pitched complete games and looked in mid-season form as they got the better of the hitters! The fielding was crisp, there were several good defensive plays, and all in all, it was just a super-opening night!

DIXIE YOUTH SEASON OPENERS FULL OF SURPRISES

The Dixie Youth baseball season got off to a somewhat of a wild start with real power from the opening night's doubleheader. The Cardinals had an outstanding game, blanking the Mets, while the Pirates, the top pre-season pick, got knocked off by the Yankees. If the opening night was a preview of things to come, it's going to be a wild summer.

MEN'S SOFTBALL COULD BE BETTER BALANCED THAN EXPECTED

The men's softball league also appears headed for an interesting season, with real power from the opening night's doubleheader. The Elba team, the top pre-season pick, got knocked off by the Yankees. If the opening night was a preview of things to come, it's going to be a wild summer.

I have been driving up to the new softball fields at least two or three times a week to check on the progress, and we feel that the chances of a title this year will be very slim. The sun is up, the lights are up, and working the scoreboards are up and the concession stand is finished in a couple of weeks. The holdup? The grass! The grass is coming along slower than expected, and if it doesn't rain quite a bit every few days, we ain't gonna (parade my English) the grass is not ready to play on. I don't know much about growing grass (as I've been told), but it's going to take a lot of water if we're going to make it up there this year.

KEEPING AN EYE ON THE BALLFIELDS

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Shan Teel Named National Award Winner

The United States Achievement Academy announced yesterday that Shan Teel, who attends Lumberton Junior High School, was nominated for this National Award by James B. Horne, a football coach at the school. Shan is a graduate in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, published nationally.

The Academy selects USA winners upon the competitive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors or other school sponsors and upon the Standards of Selection set forth by the Academy. The criteria for selection is a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn, personal character, attitude and cooperation, spirit, dependability, and recommendation from a teacher or director.

Shan is the son of Dan and Ann Teel. The grandparents are Fay and Maxine Teel of Elba, Alabama and Van and Shirley Teel of Pensacola, Florida.

Peach Blossom

Blossom Classic Bass Roundup, sponsored by the Clanton Dairy Queen, will be held on Saturday, May 28, at Lake Mitchell. All proceeds will go to the Clanton Volunteer Fire Department.

Registration will be held from 3:00 p.m. - 5:30 a.m. May 28 at the Higgins Ferry station. The first boat second Clanton east off I-65, with rules discussion set for 5:30 - 5:45 a.m. Boats will leave the launch after the rules discussion and weigh-in is set for 4:00 p.m.

Entry fee for the "Buddy Tournament" is \$50 per boat and first prize will be \$1,000. Second place is 20 percent, up to \$500, with third place worth 10 percent, up to \$300.

The tournament will be held on Saturday, June 3-4, with all Class C and Channel Catfish teams invited to attend.

The Elba Athletic Club will host its first annual "Moonlight Madness" softball tournament on Friday and Saturday, June 3-4, with all Class C and Channel Catfish teams invited to attend.

For more information call 755-0424 (days) or 755-6985 (nights).

White Sox Grab Early Lead In Babe Ruth League Standings

got one hit for the Dodgers, while Scott Brown and Troy Hudson got two hits for the Reds and Robert Wilson added a double.

Derek Young struck out 13 batters in a winning performance, while Stan Sauls fanned 10.

Following are opening week highlights:

Dodgers 2
Reds 1
The Dodgers pulled out to a 2-0 lead midway through the game and held on to post a 2-1 win over the Reds.

White Sox 4
Dodgers 7
The White Sox pushed across two runs in the sixth inning to grab the lead and held on to post an exciting 4-3 win over the A's.

A's 12
Dodgers 7
The A's took a 1-0 lead in the second inning when Jimmy Johnson scored on a sacrifice fly by Kimmie Daniels, and made it 2-0 in the fifth. Derek Young singled, stole second, and third and then raced home on a wild pitch.

Consecutive singles by Kimmie Daniels and Jeff Johnson all

strength of three straight hits, but the White Sox battled back in the bottom of the eighth and combined two hits with two errors to go on to good for 4-3.

White Sox 1
Dodgers 12
The White Sox pushed out to an early 9-0 lead and held on to dump the Dodgers 12-1.

The Sox 7
Dodgers 2
The Sox jumped to a 7-0 lead in the first inning, with a double by Mike McCollough being the big hit, then added a run in the second to go on top 3-0.

White Sox 1
Dodgers 7
The White Sox blew it open in the third inning with a combination of three walks and three errors, including a running three-run Homer by Boyd English, as their lead ballooned to 9-0!

Dodgers 1
Reds 1
The Dodgers refused to give up, however, and rallied within 9-3. Seven hits aided the rally, with a big hit being a home-run by Derek Young. The Sox continued to hold on to the win with Stan Sauls singled and scored around the bases and opened a 3-1 lead in the top of the fifth, courtesy of a walk and three errors.

White Sox 1
Dodgers 7
Consecutive hits by Patrick Norris, Bubba Craighead and Bubba Craighead all added one. Stan Sauls got two hits for the Reds, while Scott Brown added one.

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Legal Notices

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

Relating to Coffee County; authorizing and providing for the establishment, operation and financing of a public defender office for the representation and defense of persons accused of crime who are declared indigent by the courts; establishing a public defender commission to operate said office; defining the powers, duties and limitations upon said commission and the public defender; providing for the selection and compensation of the public defender and for the employment and compensation of the assistant public defenders and the personnel of said office, and for the expenses of said office; providing for the resignation and removal of the public defender and personnel of the public defender office; providing for the taxing and collecting of additional fees and costs to certain courts in said counties for such purpose and for the expenditure thereof; providing for contracted opportunities for the law to be applied to persons accused of crime; to provide for the pro rata return of any excess money in the public defender fund to the counties and municipal bodies from which received.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA

Section 1. There is hereby established a public defender commission of Coffee County consisting of seven (7) members, each of whom shall be appointed and shall serve for a term of one (1) year:

(a) During the term of their respective offices, the three (3) duly elected officers of the county bar association, selected at bar by the association.

(b) During the term of his office as such, the presiding judge of the 12th judicial circuit.

(c) Three (3) members of the county bar association, selected for a term of one (1) year, to be selected at the time of and at the meeting of the selection committee of the county bar association. Provided, however, present members of the commission previously selected under this subsection shall serve the remainder of their present term of office.

(d) In the event of a vacancy in the public defender commission, such shall occur, the members of the said public defender commission shall, by a simple majority, vote, "elect" a replacement.

(e) Members of the public defender commission shall serve without compensation as such but all reasonable expenses incurred by the performance of its duties shall be paid or reimbursed on warrants drawn on the general fund of the county, or on a county public defender fund as provided in Section 3 of this act.

(f) The chairman and the secretary, respectively, of the public defender commission of Coffee County shall be the duly elected president and the secretary of the county bar association. The commission shall have the power and authority to select the public defender and within the limits of this act:

(i) To fix his compensation;

(ii) To establish an annual budget for expenditures of his office; and the public defender;

(iii) to make and establish rules and regulations for the conduct and operation of the commission and of the public defender office.

Section 2.

(a) The commission by vote of a simple majority of its members shall select the public defender on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November to serve a term of four years. The commission shall make a similar selection each year. Provided, however, the present public defender shall serve the remainder of his present term of office.

(b) The public defender shall serve each of his duties in the seat of office as set forth in Section 279 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901. He shall serve full time and his duties shall be limited to representation of indigent defendants who are accused

of criminal offenses where representation is required by law after a finding of indigency by the court. After such finding of indigency, in the event of appointment by the court, the public defender shall be entitled to representation for such defendants in all matters pertaining to charges against defendants, including post conviction proceedings. The public defender may be appointed to represent a person accused of crime, it is determined by the court in which the case is then pending that the defendant is not indigent. The public defender shall draw warrants on the county's public defender fund for any expenditures provided in this act.

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(c) The public defender may resign or be removed from office by a vote of five (5) members of the commission of the county, to provide for the assessment and collection of ad valorem taxes on motor vehicles and the issuance of titles and tags to the circuit court of Coffee County, Alabama, including but not limited to all quasi-civil actions at law, suits in equity, criminal cases, suits in admiralty and cases involving moral turpitude while in office, or committed under color of law or connected therewith. The services of the public defender to represent the defendant's financial status occurs or upon completion of all facets of the case to which the public defender has been appointed.

(d) Neither the public defender, nor any person in the employ of the public defender offices, including his assistants, shall suggest or advise any attorney, or by name or by the public defender commission, to any person for any purpose at any time.

Section 6. The public defender for said county shall be appointed at the effective date of this act, the governing body of each such county shall appropriate to the administrative director of courts. Said compensation shall be paid in equal monthly installments by the public defender fund of the county as provided by section 15-12-3, Code of Alabama 1975.

Section 7. Within the time of the year in which the public defender commission shall be appointed to the public defender fund, the county commissioners shall appropriate to the public defender fund for the payment of salaries and operating expenses of the public defender office as follows:

(a) Assistant public defenders shall serve full time and be paid an annual rate set by the commission, payable in equal monthly installments by the county, from the public defender fund as follows:

Section 8. The public defender shall be appointed to the position of an assistant public defender, until the need for the same shall be determined by the commission and authorized by the said defendant. The public defender shall be appointed as part of the public defender fund as provided in this act. Any public defender fund now in existence shall be considered for the payment of salaries and operating expenses of the public defender office as follows:

(b) Such secretarial, stenographic and clerical services, as may be necessary, each to be compensated at a rate set by the public defender; provided this shall not cause a reduction in compensation received by the public defender commission, and shall be paid in equal monthly installments by the county, from the public defender fund.

(c) One or more investigative, administrative assistants, para-legals, and other legal assistants to serve full time and to be paid at an annual rate set by the public defender; payable in equal monthly installments by the county, from the public defender fund.

(d) All funds received by the public defender, including payment to any assistant public defender pursuant to any other law or now existing or hereafter enacted shall be paid to the public defender commission within the limits of this act.

(e) The chairman and the secretary, respectively, of the public defender commission of Coffee County shall be the duly elected president and the secretary of the county bar association. The commission shall have the power and authority to select the public defender and within the limits of this act:

(i) To fix his compensation;

(ii) To establish an annual budget for expenditures of his office; and the public defender;

(iii) to make and establish rules and regulations for the conduct and operation of the commission and of the public defender office.

(d) The expenses of operating the office of the public defender, including space rental, furniture purchase or rental, equipment, supplies, typewriters, telephone, library, and other items that are reasonably necessary for the operation of the office, shall be paid to the public defender commission, funds to all such funds shall be paid to the public defender, his assistants, shall accept any money, value or person whomsoever for any services rendered or to be rendered, pursuant to such employment in and by the public defender office.

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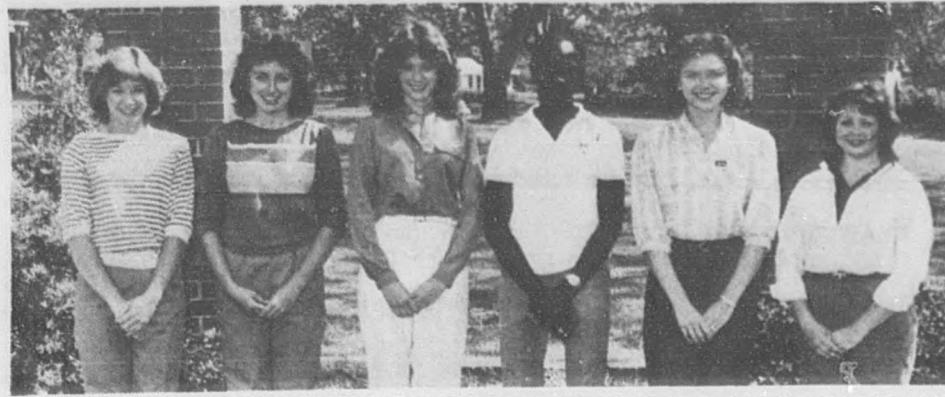
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Basic Training

1983-84 Beta Club Officers at New Brockton High School were elected recently. The officers are (L-R) Carla Hornsby-president, Sondra Reynolds-vice-president, Brenda Anderson-secretary, Tim Fleming-treasurer and Jana Burkett and Cindy Henderson-reporter and historian.

PVT. Michael W. Driggers, U.S. Army, son of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Driggers of Route one Box 435 Elba, has successfully completed Basic Training, cycle 1, starting December 3, 1982 and ending February 12, 1983, as a member of Co. D, 1st Battalion 3D Basic Train-

ing Brigade, Fort Dix, New Jersey. He is presently stationed at Fort Gordon Georgia, with C-3-1 2nd Plt. undergoing Basic Training cycle 2, starting December 3, 1982 and ending February 12, 1983, as a member of Co. D, 1st Battalion 3D Basic Train-



EARLY FILES

TEN YEARS AGO
MAY 10, 1973

***Mrs. Jane King is the new sheriff's clerk for Coffee County. She lives in Pinckard, and her son Ned Paschal Harrison Jr. is married to the former Nancy Clark from Elba.

***Monroe Calhoun, well-known farmer of Zion Chapel, died at four o'clock yesterday morning at his home from a paralytic stroke.

***Mrs. Leita Harriet Tucker, one of Coffee County's oldest residents, died at her home in Bradshaw Community after an illness of only two hours. She was 81 years old and was a member of the Bethlehem Church.

***The Elba Teachers Association met Monday and installed officers for the coming year. They also presented a program, "This Is Your Year," for three retiring teachers - Mrs. Dixie Deal, Mrs. Johnnie B. Blevins and Mrs. Claudia B.

***Mr. Sam Collier is pictured with his daughter Heidi as she meets her returning from the hand's successful trip to Pensacola.

***Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Larkins of Monroe, La., relatives in Elba last week. They were enroute to the Hawaiian Islands where Mr. Larkins is engaged in government work for the duration.

***Paul Rowe Brunson, Nathan Aranson and Harold Farris, all of Elba, left today for Ft. McPherson, Ga., to enter military service, having been accepted last week. Several other boys left also.

***Edmund J. Winchester Rucker, an outstanding officer of the Cavalry for Camp Rucker, was named, was born July 22, 1835, in Rutherford County, Tenn. He was a son of Edmund Rucker, M.D., a physician and the grandson of Thomas Rucker, an officer in the War of 1812. He came to Alabama in 1869 and died in Birmingham at the age of 88.

***Pfc. James B. Layton has returned to Ft. Benning, Georgia, after visiting his mother, other relatives and friends in and around Elba. His uncle, Alton Calhoun of Jack, gave him a nice party Saturday night.

***Through the Keyhole, with Mrs. James B. Layton. The daughter of a little girl is being enjoyed this week by Dixie and Pete Dorsey who welcomed their first-born May 1. Stacey Lee is named for her maternal grandfather, the late Richard Lee Hayes, and weighs a petite seven pounds.

***Advertisement. Keep the garden "right." Plants of fresh wholesome vegetables for the family each day during the growing season and a surplus for canning for the winter will be conserved to help the food supply and improve the national health. ... Pea River Canning Company - Sam Sawyer, owner, Elba, AL.

***EHS Tiger Tales, by Alice Wilson. Last Thursday Dr. Charles Graham, pastor of the First Baptist Church, carried Jon and Don Boswell, Richard Thomas and Jerry Evans, all juniors at Elba High School, to Birmingham for a tour and visit to Howard College.

***Betty Inman and Mary Lee Reeve, Jr., were chosen Girls and Boys State representatives at a recent meeting of American Legion Culver Post 73.

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Elba High School graduation exercises will be held Sunday night, May 22, and Friday night, May 27, according to Principal Lamar Foley. Both exercises will begin at 8:00.

Minister Terry E. Gunnells, Elba Church of Christ, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday night and the Rev. Dr. Jerry G. Galloway, York Chapel A.M.E. Church; and Mr. Paul King, chairman, Elba City Board of Education, will give the benediction. Special music will be provided by the band, which is under the direction of Mr. Steve Thompson. The traditional processional and recessional will be played by Miss Kathy Tucker, pianist.

Ushers for the baccalaureate service will include Wendy Bowers, Crystal Caldwell, Beverly McCall, Stephanie Miller.

The Fannie Marler reunion will be held Sunday, May 15, at the old Jack Assembly of God church building, just past the Jack Post Office on the Troy Highway.

***The east part of the Taylor Warehouse Company's building has been Millers and work is ready to start on the reconstruction of the two brick storerooms facing Factory Street at the Buford Street corner. John Taylor, manager of the warehouse, stated the new post office building and its companion structure will be completed as rapidly as possible.

***Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ogg's

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Tornado Rocks New Brockton



FRONT END LOADER gathers up the front wall of this two-story New Brockton building as day breaks Monday morning following the strike by a tornado.



MAYOR L.A. ADEKISON, second from right, surveys tornado damage Monday morning in downtown New Brockton. He holds a two-way radio at ready to issue instructions to repair crews. Sgt. Charles Goodson, left, stands by to offer assistance on behalf of the Alabama National Guard.

Mayor L.A. Adkison was out early surveying the damage and coordinating the repair work to insure safety and early return of services to the citizens of New Brockton. He was assisted by the New Brockton police and the entire Coffee County Sheriff's Department.

Bill Tindall worked his way through the tree limbs in his front yard and in the street to inquire about help in lifting the large trees from the utility lines and to assure workers that his services were not needed. Tindall, a retired kerosene lamp, his wife kept in the kitchen which wasn't near any trees. After the trees fell, he and his wife were falling in, and as he reached down to lift his wife and son from the bed, larger pieces were coming down fast and a large board hit his arm. After they got out of the room, found a light, then the kerosene lamp, his wife kept in the bedroom (the flashlight was under the rubble in the bedroom), they waited for the storm to pass on, and then surveyed the damage.

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The Elba City Council met May 9 with all members present and voting. Reports of the police chief, recreation director and the school board were handled in the meeting that included a request for a sewage line extension, support for the nursing home patients and formally approving a "letter of intent" to lease the city-owned hospital.

Dr. Bill Cowart was appointed to the Elba School Board to replace J. Doug Kendrick, whose term expires at the end of the month. A motion was made by Councilman Sonny Inniss and seconded by Councilman Charles Kennett. The vote for this appointment and four others was unanimous.

Four vacancies were filled on the Planning and Zoning Board. Mrs. V.D.

McCrory was appointed to fill the vacancy created by the death of her husband. Mrs. Doris McCrory was represented by Bobbi King and Gina Vaughan were appointed to the board.

Douglas Gibbs requested water and sewage to the house he moved to due to the bypass road. He quoted Mayor Bob English as prime example. "I am a good man," Gibbs said. "I am a good man." Gibbs was brought from the State of Alabama to lay water and sewer lines from the new right-of-way to Gibbs' property line and he would take care of the balance.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Blair addressed the council on the needs of residents of the nursing home and asked for moral support in getting citizens to help these people, many of whom don't have family or money to buy medicine and other necessities.

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City School Board Votes To Extend Contract Of Supt.



The Elba City School Board met May 5, 1983, in the board room with all present except J. Doug Kendrick who was out due to sickness.

Probable the most significant item of business for the board was the extension of the contract with Superintendent Dennis Smith. The item was not on the agenda prepared by the superintendent's office, but Chairman Paul King requested the board to consider the matter, and a unanimous decision for a three-year extension of the contract was passed. The only reason was praise for the job he had done.

Osburn said, "I appreciate this, though I didn't request it." He continued with, "I consider this a vote of confidence. I believe no one is committing to you that I will continue to do the best job I can."

Osburn further stated, "I hope to keep the lines of communication open and the board be seen to this community. The board has been an open two-way link."

The school calendar for the next year was approved, with students to register and begin school on August 22.

Questions about the school offered in the community brought a suggestion that a work session be scheduled to update the board members on the course of study. Board members also requested that a feasibility study be made on the Spanish-speaking population of the community.

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